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BECKS ON THE BRINK

Posh's fears for troubled hubby

EXCLUSIVE

STRESSED-OUT David Beckham was on the edge of despair last night as new details emerged about his bizarre behaviour.

The troubled football hero – dumped by England and dropped by Real Madrid – was left sweating and holding his head while wife Victoria told the world of his "unbelievable" obsessive illness.

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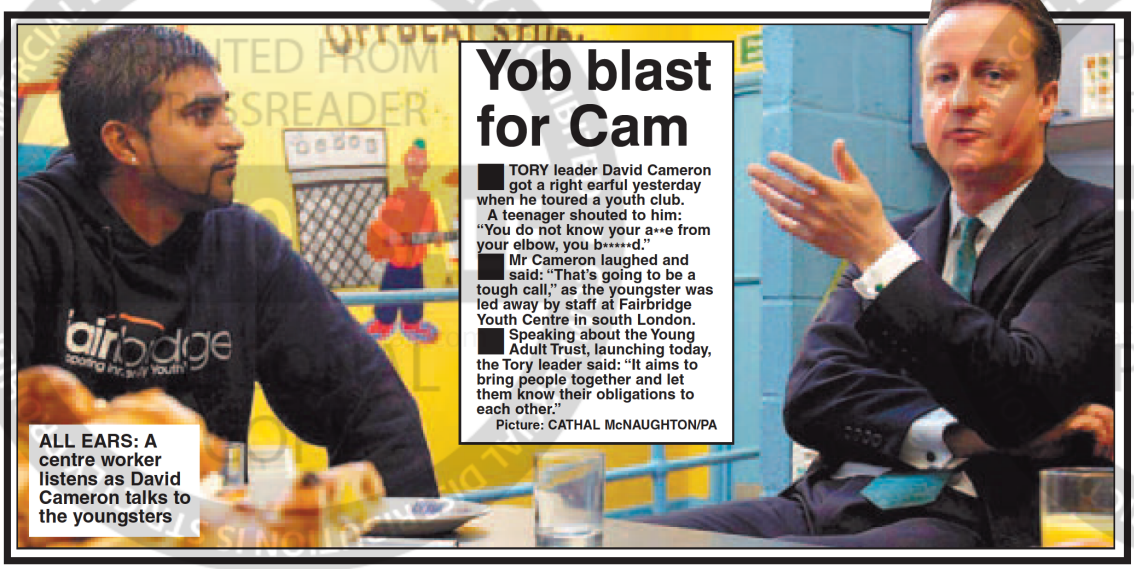

ALL EARS: A centre worker listens as David Cameron talks to the youngsters

Yob blast for Cam

TORY leader David Cameron got a right earful yesterday when he toured a youth club.

A teenager shouted to him: "You do not know your a**e from your elbow, you b*****d."

Mr Cameron laughed and said: "That's going to be a tough call," as the youngster was led away by staff at Fairbridge Youth Centre in south London.

Speaking about the Young Adult Trust, launching today, the Tory leader said: "It aims to bring people together and let them know their obligations to each other."

Picture: CATHAL McNAUGHTON/PA

I'LL GET OFF BY HOOK OR BY CROOK

Hamza's freedom bid

HATE preacher Abu Hamza launched his bid to get out of jail yesterday.

He wants terror convictions overturned because a fair trial was made "impossible" by the delay in prosecuting him, a court heard.

Edward Fitzgerald QC, representing the Islamic cleric in the Court of Appeal, said it had been unfair to put him on trial in 2006 for speeches made between 1997 and 2000.

Hamza, 48, is challenging convictions for incitement to murder and race-hate offences.

In February he was convicted of 11 of the 15 charges he faced and was jailed for seven years.

■ by CATHY GORDON

Mr Fitzgerald said that a "unique" series of subsequent events, including the 9/11 attacks, the 7/7 bombings in London and a campaign against him by the media and politicians had "prejudiced" his chances of a fair trial.

Campaign

He said Hamza was "subjected to a relentless campaign of adverse media publicity condemning him as a preacher of hate and inciter of violence and to public condemnation by political figures".

He said that there had been a "massive sea-change brought about by the series of events subsequent to the delivery of the sermons".

A fair trial was impossible "in the light of the delay in prosecuting him".

The QC said: "Because of the delay ... the atmosphere had been poisoned against him in a way that would not have happened had he been subjected to a timely prosecution."

During Hamza's trial the prosecution said he was a recruiting sergeant for global terrorism.

He was convicted of inciting followers to murder non-Muslims and Jews. He was also convicted of stirring racial hatred and having a terror "manual".

The case continues.

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COURT BATTLE: Jailed Abu Hamza has launched an appeal against his convictions

Burning issue

FLAG-burning should be a criminal offence and the culprits should be locked up, Daily Star readers say.

Police want to ban the torching of our Union Flag to stop Muslim extremists preaching racial hatred.

Senior officers are so concerned by the rise in violence they are demanding a change in the law.

They believe that by making flag-burning a crime it would help courts punish the likes of hook-handed Abu Hamza, above, who stir up trouble on Britain's streets.

And Daily Star readers overwhelmingly backed the idea – with 98% in favour of the law change.

LOTTO DAILY PLAY
MONDAY OCTOBER 30

12 13 20 21 22 24 25

No ticket matched all 7 balls for the £30,000 prize

SATURDAY LOTTO
OCTOBER 28

4 5 6 12 20 29 BONUS BALL 30

Four tickets shared the £4.1m jackpot

Dream Number: 2-2-6-9-3-9-0. No £500,000 winners

T'Ball 4, 18, 20, 23, 32 (T'b 11). Two £250k T'Ball winners

WEDNESDAY LOTTO
OCTOBER 25

2 7 10 14 16 22 BONUS BALL 43

Four tickest share £1.9million jackpot

Dream Number: 9-0-6-5-1-2-6. No tickets won £500,000.

T'ball: 5, 7, 15, 22, 24. (T'b 4). No tickets won £250,000.

EURO MILLIONS
FRIDAY OCT 27

3, 4, 8, 44, 50

Lucky Star Numbers 7, 8

No ticket won the £75m jackpot

Happy Birthday

ENGLAND rugby ace and Strictly Come Dancing star Matt Dawson is 34 today.

Thought for day

IS it true that demons are a ghoul's best friends?

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TODAY: Gale force winds across Scotland and Northern Ireland. Showers across Scotland and Northern Ireland will clear. Northern and central parts of England along with Wales will have showers. Southern England will be sunny.

OUTLOOK: Tomorrow and Thursday will be mainly dry and bright, but North Sea coasts will be breezier with a few isolated showers. Feeling colder.

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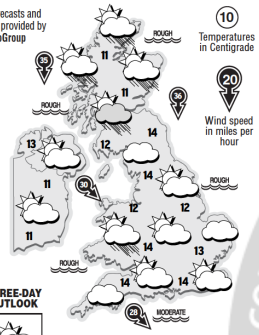

THREE-DAY OUTLOOK

Wednesday Fair

Thursday Fair

Friday Fair

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Canada	2.02 dollars
Cyprus	0.81 pounds
Czech Republic	38.77 korunas
Mexico	18.18 pesos
South Africa	13.26 rand
Thailand	62.29 baht
Turkey	2.60 new lira
United States	1.81 dollars

EURO

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ABROAD

Alicante	sunny	27c	(81f)	Moscow	snow	0c	(32f)
Corfu	fair	21c	(70f)	N York	cloudy	12c	(54f)
Dublin	cloudy	14c	(57f)	Nice	sunny	22c	(72f)
L Angeles	fair	19c	(66f)	Paris	sunny	16c	(61f)
Majorca	sunny	24c	(75f)	Rhodes	sunny	21c	(70f)
Miami	fair	27c	(81f)	Rome	fair	22c	(72f)
				Tenerife	sunny	24c	(75f)

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★ THERE'S something putting the willies up our sizzling Stephanie this Halloween.

★ A ghastly ghost seems to have its eye on the 21-year-old London lovely.

★ But no matter how tricky escaping the ghoul's slimy clutches might be... our Steph's always a treat!

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KATE LETS ME WEAR HER GEAR SAYS PETE

EXCLUSIVE

by LEIGH PURVES

KINKY Pete Doherty has revealed that he likes to wear lover Kate Moss's clothes.

He also borrows the top model's make-up – and says trying on her shoes makes him feel really horny.

The 27-year-old Babyshambles frontman spoke of his secret passion for women's clothes and face-slap while on a night out at a west London bar.

Pete was larking around with two male pals when two female fans asked him about his use of cosmetics.

Pete said: "Oh yeah, I love them – especially the eye-liner. It's a laugh as it can make the right changes to your features."

He went on to reveal how he'd also tried on Kate's clothes and found them a real turn-on – especially her shoes.

Pete said: "I just don't get all the fuss when people see fellas wearing women's clothes.

Battle

"I mean, I love Kate's stuff and have tried some bits on. What's wrong with that?

"Footwear is the key and it makes you feel good... very good, if you get my drift."

Pete's raunchy revelations come the day after the Daily Star revealed how friends said he was finally winning his long battle against his heroin addiction.

The singer is said to have kept clear of drugs since a stint at celebrity rehab clinic The Priory in north London.

He checked out of the clinic last month and friends say he is now determined to stay clean for Kate's sake.

He is said to have promised her he'll be drug-free for their wedding – planned for Kate's 33rd birthday, January 16, on holiday isle Ibiza.

Speaking of Pete's recovery, a close pal said: "Pete is doing really well and Kate helps him along the way.

"He looks better than ever and is concentrating on his musical commitments. He is keeping his head down and doing well.

"Pete's fans are also being a great support to him – and he really appreciates them now, more than ever before."

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WHAT A DRAG: Pete camps it up on stage, top, and steps out with lover Kate

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They're planning to tax us all off the face of the Earth

GLOBAL WARNING

WORRIED Brits feared wallet-busting "eco" taxes last night as a report spelt out the cost of tackling global warming.

Going green threatens to send families into the red as they face paying more than £1,000 a year in new motoring and air travel taxes.

The price of holiday flights and petrol are set to soar as Tony Blair insisted people must be prepared to make sacrifices to prevent disaster.

Ministers are planning hefty new taxes to avoid the global meltdown predicted by economist Sir Nicholas Stern unless action is taken now.

Hated

Charges to punish polluters could include the return of the hated fuel escalator – the annual petrol duty rises which sparked the 2000 fuel protests – and taxes worth 10p per litre.

Other leaked measures proposed by Environment Secretary David Miliband include pay-per-mile road charges, along with scrapping cheap flights by pushing up air passenger duty and taxing aviation fuel.

Mr Miliband also recommends taxes on energy-wasting domestic appliances and more household rubbish charges.

Chancellor Gordon Brown, who commissioned the Stern Report, yesterday indicated he is prepared to raise stinging "green" taxes.

Pledging Britain's commitment to leading the bid to tackle global warming, he said: "Tax of course has got a role to play, but it is not the only means by which we secure action."

Mr Blair also dropped heavy hints that Mr Miliband's tax plans will be seriously considered.

He said Britain would have to be "bolder at home" to play its part in an international effort to stop the global disaster forecast by Sir Nicholas.

He added: "Investment now will pay us back many times in the future, not just environmentally but economically as well."

Mr Miliband announced that ministers are drawing up a Climate Change Bill.

And Tory leader David Cameron confirmed he would be prepared to tax air travel and bigger cars.

Sir Nicholas, former chief economist at the World Bank, said: "It is consumers and households that ultimately pay."

His 700-page report is the most detailed yet into the potential economic impact of global warming.

Drought

It warns nearly half of the world's species face extinction if there is a 2% rise in global temperatures. That would wipe out 40% of all life and turn 200million people into refugees after their homes were hit by flood or drought.

He urges countries to spend 1% of the world's economy – about £184billion – now to avert disaster in the coming years.

And he forecasts it will cost £3.68trillion if not enough is done, sparking a global depression.

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■ by IAIN BURCHELL

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How you'll get stung

FUEL DUTY
AUTOMATIC increases even if oil prices fall. The annual fuel duty escalator, scrapped after protests in 2000, would be restored.
That could mean 10p on a litre of fuel, costing a driver doing 15,000 miles annually £260 a year.

ROAD PRICING
PRICING should "reflect full environmental impact of the journey made".
A 2p per mile charge would cost £300 annually for a 15,000-miles-a-year driver.

CHEAP FLIGHTS
A £5 increase in air passenger duty, raising £400million a year; VAT on ticket prices; taxing aviation fuel to be considered. It all means the cost of a family holiday to the Mediterranean could soar by up to £130.

DOMESTIC RUBBISH
FEARS of "differential charging" for household waste, leading to more microchips in wheelie bins to spy on rubbish. Penalties for not recycling. Fears council tax will have to rise.

HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES
TAXES on energy-wasting white goods and lighting products.
It could mean a £50 levy on wasteful appliances and a £1.50 charge added to non-green light bulbs.

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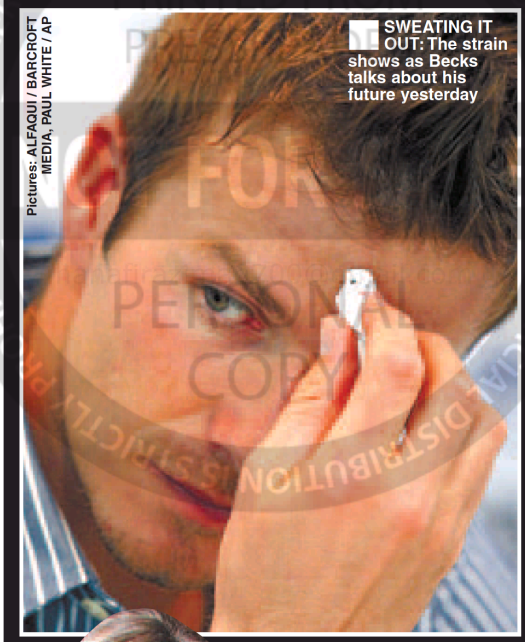

SWEATING IT OUT: The strain shows as Becks talks about his future yesterday

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FEARS: Posh steps out in London yesterday

Picture: BIGPICTURESPHOTO.COM

BECKS' AGONY

Worried Posh speaks out

■ by TOM SAVAGE

TROUBLED football idol David Beckham looked like a man on the brink yesterday as wife Victoria spoke about his bizarre obsessive behaviour.

Stressed Becks sweated his way through a press conference after Posh told of his "unbelievable" compulsions.

And pals fear the strain of being dumped by England and dropped by Real Madrid has pushed the player to despair.

Strain

While Becks was under pressure in Spain, Victoria, 32, was in London revealing how his obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD) caused huge problems.

She said: "It's unbelievable. He has to have all his little socks, trainers and clothes lined out for the next day."

Becks, 31, revealed earlier this year how his OCD made him arrange items in patterns.

And the strain showed yesterday as the midfielder was asked whether he was leaving Spain. He ruled out a departure in the transfer window after Christmas, but refused to be drawn on where he would be playing next season.

He said: "I am not considering any move at the minute. I have always said I am happy here. I'm not going anywhere in January.

"I want to stay here this season and be part of the team, because I believe we can win things this season."

But many onlookers reckoned his actions spoke louder than his words. Becks looked like a man under incredible strain, dabbing sweat from his brow. At one stage he even held his head in his hands.

He has struggled to get into Real's star-studded team since being dropped by new England boss Steve McClaren, 45, following the World Cup.

Meanwhile, Victoria spoke out as she promoted her new book, That Extra Half An Inch, around London.

As well as Becks' OCD, she told of their home life with sons Brooklyn, seven, Romeo, four, and Cruz, one.

Camp

She said: "I get up really early, about 7am, so I can get breakfast ready for the kids and do the last little bits of the kids' homework!"

Posh also said she couldn't wait to be Lady Vic after reading our exclusive story about plans to knight David.

She said: "I'd love to be Lady Beckham, it's just so camp!"

A spokeswoman for Victoria declined to comment last night on whether David's OCD was getting worse.

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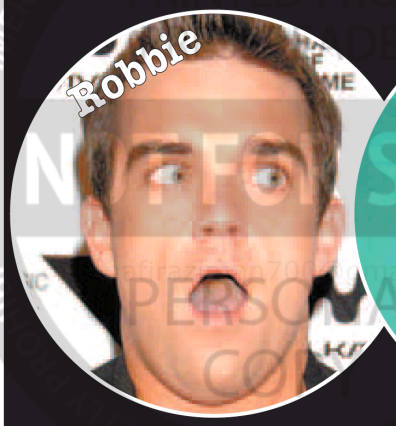
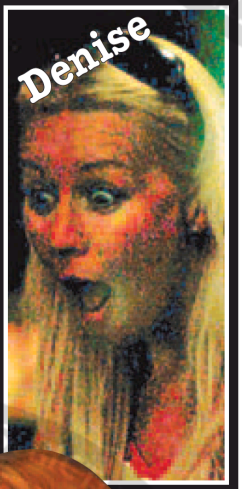
20 stars make Halloween's Hall of Fame



CELEBS FIND IT ALL FRIGHT ON THE NIGHT



IT'S the spookiest night of the year, so you'd better beware of ghostly goings-on. But trick-and-treating isn't just kids' stuff. Plenty of our favourite celebs will be watching out for ghouls and spirits as they settle in for Halloween. Here are twenty famous faces who have been left well and truly shaken by things that go bump in the night ...

SINGER **Robbie Williams**, 32, says: "I saw my sister's dog jumping at her feet but it had died years before."

MODEL **Jordan**, 28, was spooked by ghosts in her Sussex home. She says: "We'd hear footsteps but there was nobody there."

LOVELY **Sam Mumba**, 23, saw a spirit in Belfast's 146-year-old Merchant Hotel.

ACTOR **Keanu Reeves**, 42, saw a ghost in a white suit as a kid. He said: "It had no body or legs."

TELLY babe **Georgina Walker**, 22, says: "When I was about eight I heard heavy breathing by my bed."

FILM legend **Bob Hoskins**, 63, saw a ghostly nun in London's Covent Garden market.

HOLLYWOOD stunner **Kate Hudson**, 27, says: "I've seen a ghost of a woman with no face"

FILM hero **Nicholas Cage**, 42, was spooked at uncle Francis Ford Coppola's home. He says: "I threw a pillow at a woman's silhouette and it went."

TV babe **Danniella Westbrook**, 32, who has an old home, says: "Bells ring in the old servants' quarters."

SINGER **Sting**, 55, recalls: "The mobiles in my baby daughter's room went berserk – though the windows were shut."

FILM beauty **Halle Berry**, 40, felt the presence of the ghost of Dorothy Dandridge, who she played in a TV movie

COMIC actor **Robin Williams**, 55, heard spooky noises at a Vancouver hotel where a nanny was murdered.

TV presenter **Denise Van Outen**, 32, was haunted at former fiancé Jay Kay's house. She said: "Someone kept leaning over the bed."

FILM star **Liam Neeson**, 54, saw the ghost of a riding accident victim near his childhood home in Ireland.

REALITY star **Jeff Brazier**, 27, says: "I know from experience my dead gran is still with me."

FILM beauty **Jennifer Connelly**, 35, was flooded after starring in called Deep Water.

EX-EastEnder **Michelle Collins**, 43, kept hearing swing doors at a Scots hotel – but there weren't any.

X-FILES star **Gillian Anderson**, 38, banished a spook from her new Canada home by getting a shaman to burn herbs.

A LITTLE page boy used to block the stairs at a Liverpool club owned by actor **Ricky Tomlinson**, 66.

SCREAM star **Neve Campbell**, 33, keeps seeing her granny's ghost.

DAILY STAR says

Gord's hot on taxes

WE'RE all doomed!

A report on global warming warns of a worldwide catastrophe.

Glaciers are melting, sea-levels are rising and 200 million people could soon be flooded out of their homes.

Chancellor Gordon Brown says we must act now to save the planet, while a series of proposals has been leaked to the media.

But these new measures – supposedly to cut the emission of greenhouse gases – turn out to be a list of tax rises.

There would be more taxes on aviation fuel, bringing the era of cheap flights to an end.

More taxes, too, on electrical goods, petrol and cars, with motorists paying by the mile.

And, oh, they also want to charge you extra for rubbish collection.

This new wave of Labour taxes comes on top of plans to hike up council tax yet again in a forthcoming rebanding of homes.

Mr Brown has introduced more than 70 stealth taxes and raided pension funds for £100billion-plus.

God help us if he becomes PM.

Now let's see justice

SHARON Wood took the bodies of her two young children home from Corfu yesterday.

It must have been an unbearably painful journey for her.

She will for ever be tormented by the thought that her son, Robert, and daughter, Christianne, need not have died.

They were victims of a horrific maintenance failure at their holiday hotel.

Yesterday Greek prosecutors promised to file manslaughter charges by the end of this week.

At least four people, including the hotel manager and owner, could be hauled into court.

We will be watching to ensure that Sharon and her family get justice.

Dark knight

IT'S Halloween – a time to beware of bloodsucking witches casting evil spells.

We bet Sir Paul McCartney wishes he had been vigilant.

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Tragic mum brings poisoned kids back in their coffins

HOME FOR FINAL TIME

FLIGHT OF DESPAIR: Paul and Sharon board the jet which is carrying home the bodies of Christianne and Robert, below

Pictures: ANDREW PARSONS / PA

THE tragic brother and sister poisoned in their Corfu holiday bungalow arrived back in Britain in two small coffins yesterday.

Little Christianne, seven, and six-year-old Robert were accompanied on the flight to Manchester by distraught mum Sharon Wood and her new husband Paul.

Before she boarded, 35-year-old Sharon called on Greek police to throw the book at staff whose bungles she believes killed her kids.

She wrote to officers probing the case: "I call for the exemplary punishment of those responsible for my children's death."

Their dad Neil, 38, a company boss from Wakefield, West Yorks, last night remained seriously ill, still unaware of his children's fate.

His new partner Ruth Beatson, 27, who is recovering in a general ward from the carbon monoxide poisoning from faulty heating, has been told.

Police chief Lt Col Dimitris Binieris told her "no stone would be left unturned" in the investigation.

■ by JERRY LAWTON

Rain lashed the normally sun-drenched island as the youngsters' bodies were transported in a white van from a mortuary to the airport.

A police helicopter hovered by the plane, which had touched down minutes earlier.

The bodies were last night being taken to a chapel of rest near Wakefield.

Prayers

Yesterday classmates at Horbury Primary School in the city said prayers for their pals at a special assembly.

Headteacher John Wright described the pair as "two beautiful children who added so much to our school".

The owners of the Corcyra Hotel complex in the resort of Gouvia, as well as its manager, builder and heating firm could all be facing manslaughter charges.

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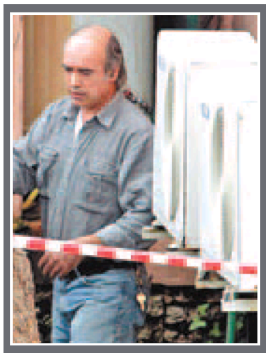
GRIM CARGO: One of the coffins is loaded

'Don't blame us'



SAFETY: Petros yesterday

HOTEL bosses in Corfu yesterday denied they were to blame for the tragedy.

They said new water boilers had been installed at the Louis Corcyra Hotel, in the resort of Gouvia, just two years ago and were checked regularly.

A spokesman said: "We are stunned by the tragic event that occurred at our hotel.

"We will co-operate fully with the authorities investigating this tragic incident in order to determine the exact causes."

The hotel's maintenance manager, Petros Stoyannos, said he had checked the boiler two days before the tragedy after neighbouring holidaymakers complained they had no hot water.

He found the pilot light had gone out, relit it and it appeared to be working normally.

Checked

"I made a note for the boiler to be checked on a daily basis to confirm it was operating correctly," he said.

"This procedure was followed daily. Our equipment and installations are operated to the highest safety standards."

Natural gas has only recently arrived in Greece as a cheaper alternative to electricity.

Panayotis Bramos, president of the Hotel Owners' Union of Corfu, said the tragedy was a "very unlucky and totally unpredictable event".

He added: "This particular hotel is one of the best in Corfu. But this incident will probably have a negative effect on the Greek tourism industry.

"We will have to wage a major battle to save Corfu's reputation."

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CONNING THE CONMEN!

Net victim has last laugh

CUNNING Mike Berry is getting his own back on internet tricksters – by duping them into posing for silly snaps like these.

■ by CAROLYN ARMSTRONG

Mike was so tired of getting emails from Nigerian conmen, he decided to take action.

The fraudsters, claiming to be church or government officials, kept sending him pleas for cash.

So he sent them messages back asking them to verify their identities by holding up a special "codeword" and emailing him the pictures.

They dutifully obeyed, sending him snaps of themselves holding up slogans such as: "Plonker."

Mike, 44, convinced others to put loaves of bread in their mouths and fish on their heads, stick bottles in their ears, handwrite an entire Harry Potter novel and send wooden carvings to Del Trotter Antiques. Now he has all the photos in a "trophy room" on his website. But that has earned him death threats from some of the tricksters.

Computer engineer Mike, of Atherton, near Wigan, Lancs, said: "These conmen are stupid in a lot of ways and it's very funny watching them fall for it.

"But when they find out they have been had, they can turn nasty. I've lost count of the death threats."

Mike began his "scambaiting" campaign five years ago "to have fun while doing a public service".

His site, www.419eater, is now the web's most successful scambaiting site, with more than 20,000 members.

And his funniest online exchanges are in a new book called Greetings In Jesus Name – one of the most common opening lines used in email cons.

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BATTLING BACK: Mike Berry

ROGUES' GALLERY: The Nigerian tricksters prove they'll do anything for the chance of some easy money

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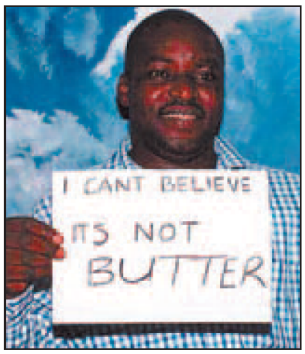

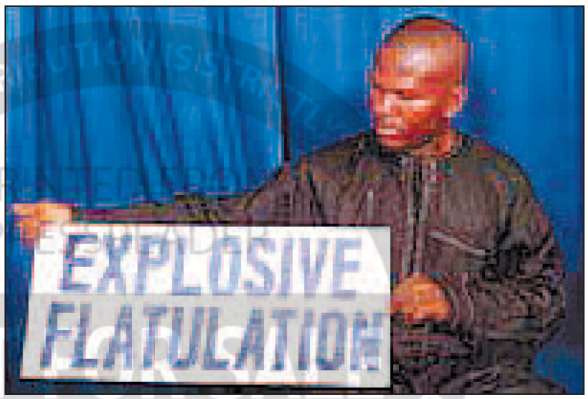

DVLA porno shame

SIXTY-FIVE civil servants have been charged with gross misconduct after porn clogged up computers at the DVLA.

The car licensing agency has already sacked 14 workers over the explicit sex pictures, which caused their multi-million pound computer system to crash.

Workers say they are being "driven mad" by the snaps which continually pop up on their screens.

Hardcore

A DVLA spokeswoman said: "All servers have been scrutinised, without exception."

The obscene images were originally sent to staff by people from outside the office block at Morriston, Swansea.

One worker said: "It's hardcore stuff and very offensive."

It's the latest sex scandal to hit the DVLA after a woman worker was sacked when mobile phone clips of her making love to her boyfriend were sent to hundreds of staff.

STAR BURST

ABOUT one in five workers listen to MP3 players at their desks, though 30% of firms have banned the devices, says research by office interior experts Woods Bagot.

Condom warning

FAKE condoms are putting youngsters at risk of HIV infection and unwanted pregnancy.

Durex has placed adverts warning about the batch of counterfeit "extra safe" contraceptives.

The bogus packets of three look like Durex but have an outdated code number on the bottom.

Anyone who thinks they have used one is urged to see their GP.

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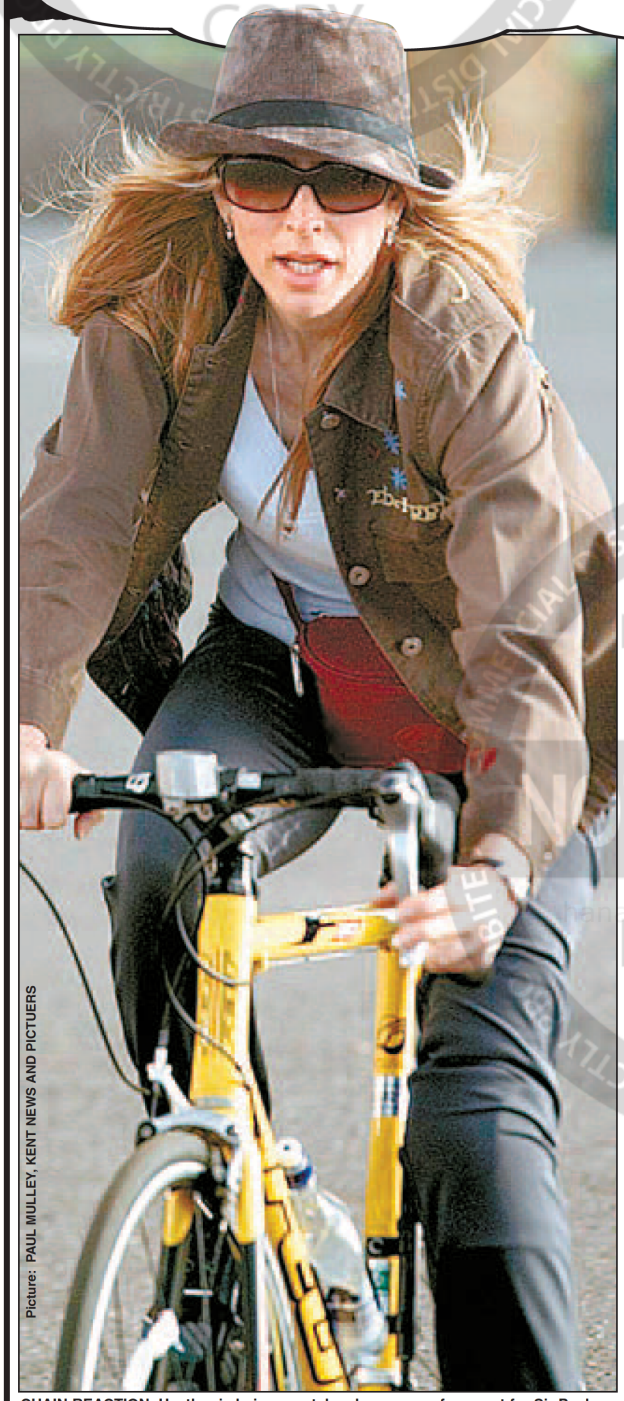

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CHAIN REACTION: Heather is being overtaken by a wave of support for Sir Paul

JONATHAN Ross launched a foul-mouthed attack on Heather Mills at a show-biz bash yesterday branding her a "f*ing liar".**

BBC1's £18million chatshow king openly mocked Lady Mucca at the Q Awards in London and made it clear he was backing Macca.

Ross poured scorn on the claims 38-year-old Heather has made against her estranged husband Sir Paul McCartney in their bitter £100m divorce battle.

Wossy, 45, who was hosting the pop music bash in London, opened by joking: "Heather Mills McCartney – what a f***ing liar.

"I wouldn't be surprised if we found out she's actually got two legs.

"Has anyone actually looked? We can all strap one leg up to get the sympathy vote."

Cheered

The audience – packed with some of the UK's top pop performers, including Oasis star Noel Gallagher, 39, Boy George, 45, and members of U2, Take That, a-ha and The Who – cheered his bad-taste quips.

It was a clear show of support from the showbiz world for heart-broken Beatles legend Macca, 64.

Ross also had the audience in stitches with a quip about Madonna's adoption of an African baby.

He joked: "She's not the first pop star who spends millions rescuing a young boy from destitution and poverty. Look at what Robbie Williams has done for Jonathan Wilkes."

His outburst came as he was cleared by TV watchdogs of being "vulgar, disrespectful and unfair" to David Cameron and Margaret Thatcher.

On his chat show he asked Cameron, 40 – who was 12 when Thatcher became Prime Minister in 1979 – if he'd had schoolboy sexual fantasies about her.

The Tory leader tried to change the subject and was reduced to nervous laughter. But Ross persisted, asking Cameron whether he had masturbated thinking about her.

TV regulator Ofcom was bombarded with more than 250 complaints about the June interview.

But it concluded that Ross had not breached its programming code, noting that Mr Cameron had later told a Radio 5 Live interviewer he would be willing to go on the show again.

The ruling said: "Jonathan Ross has a very well established presenting style, which is deliberately provocative."

■ by NIGEL PAULEY

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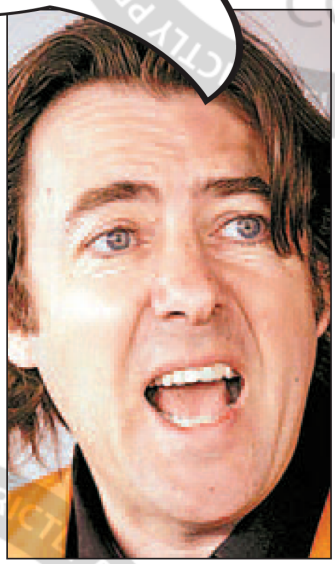

OUT ON A LIMB: Ross blasted Mills at awards

Heather pals told: Shut it

HEATHER Mills has been phoning friends and school pals begging them not to say nasty things about her.

Lady Mucca even contacted one of her teenage old flames and his wife.

One old school pal from Newcastle, who has not spoken to the mum-of-one for nearly 20 years, said: "After a few pleasantries she got to the point, that journalists and television people would be sniffing around trying to find out about her past and dig up the dirt on her.

"She said she'd really appreciate it if I would keep quiet and not say anything about her."

Lady Mucca contacted an early boyfriend, now 37. His wife, also 37, said: "What a cheek this woman has. She even phoned his mother up, how scheming is that?"

● Sir Paul's daughter Stella, 34, yesterday refused to speak about claims she screamed: "I'll kill the bitch" after Heather accused her father of hitting his wife Linda.

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STRANDED: Sadie Frost

Sadie's jungle fire fear

■ by PETER DYKE

SEXY Sadie Frost is stranded in the jungle surrounded by raging fires.

The 41-year-old actress had flown to Indonesia for an ITV show focussing on endangered animals.

She was due to jet into parkland near Jakarta to film orangutans, whose numbers are rapidly declining, for the series Extinct.

Gutted

But just as she was about to head off rangers reported the area had been hit by fierce forest fires and no one was being allowed through.

And all airports in the area have been closed, trapping people there.

A source said: "Sadie is gutted. She really wanted to see the orangutans and highlight the fact that they're becoming extinct.

"She has no idea if she'll even get into the parks now because of the fires.

"Fumes are causing very low visibility so no one is being allowed in."

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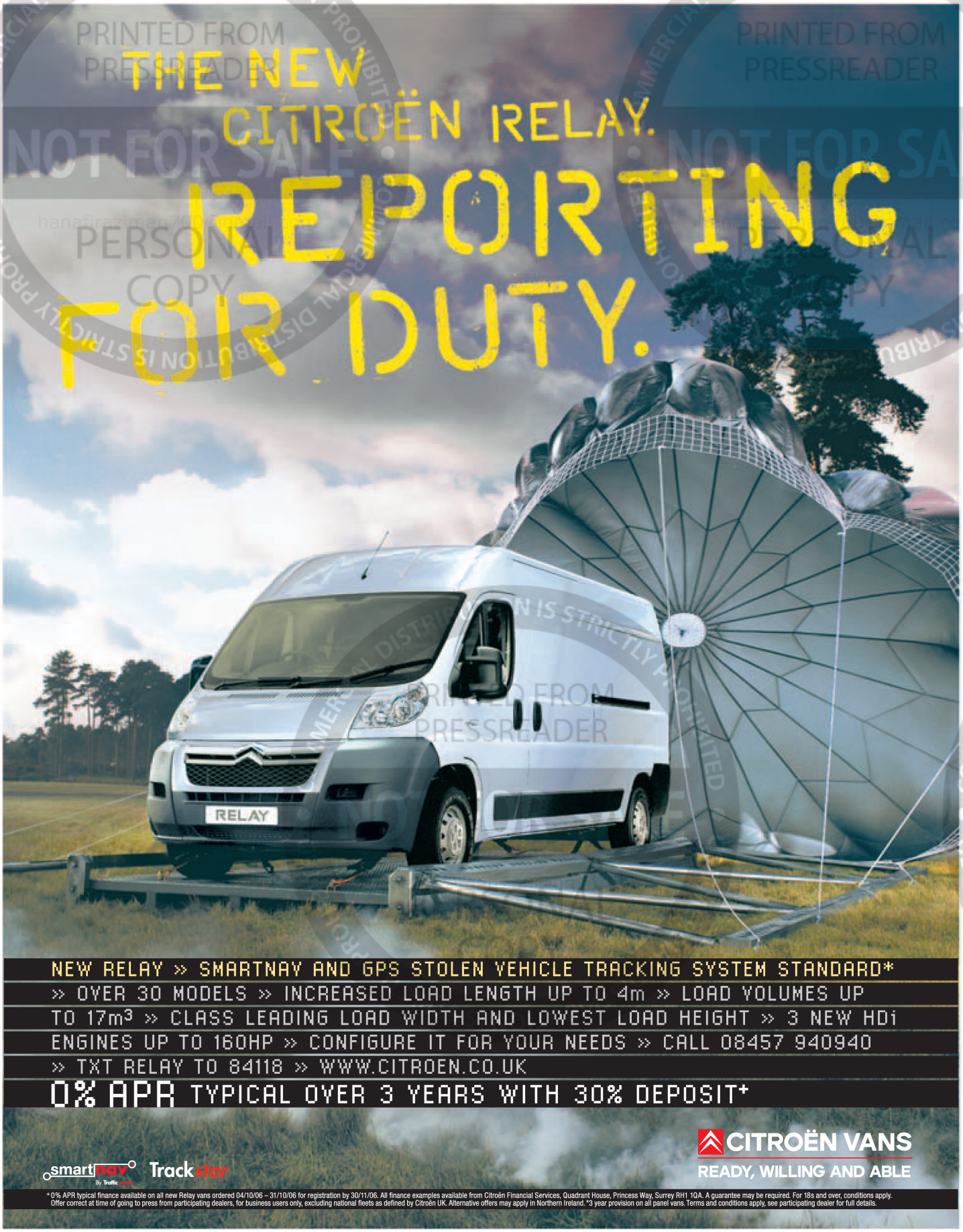

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REAL THING: Gerrard

I've put through own net

■ by JAMES WICKHAM

AMATEUR footballer Mike Rolt has become the latest internet laughing stock after comparing himself to Steven Gerrard.

He set himself up for ridicule after his coach James Townley told him to move to the right wing.

But Rolt, 26, sent an email back analysing why he should keep his central role for Radley College Old Boys, Oxon.

And now his rant has gone global after it was leaked by pals.

Wing

He wrote: "It's a waste of our fittest player. I know I'm quick and would be useful out wide but unless George Mac or Tim were playing in midfield, I wouldn't be very involved. I am also one of the better tacklers and headers.

"Sticking me on the wing would lose us these attributes. I'll beat my man three or four times but the play will get over-congested.

"Steven Gerrard has a good role at Liverpool on the right but with the freedom to roam."

Townley wrote back: "All I said was you should be playing on the right for the good of the team and I got this small novel."

STAR BURST

AUSSIE scientists who unveiled three new test-tube koala babies, are to launch the world's first koala sperm bank to secure the cuddly creatures' future.

A rip-off to Dai for

A PARKING warden charged English-speaking drivers twice as much as locals in a car park at the foot of Mount Snowdon.

Signs at the Royal Victoria Hotel, Llanberis, North Wales, indicated an all-day ticket cost £4.

But people speaking Welsh to the attendant were told: "It's half price for locals."

But the parkie was praised yesterday by Welsh rights campaigners. Aran Jones, of pressure group Cymuned, said: "He deserves a medal – congratulations at least!"

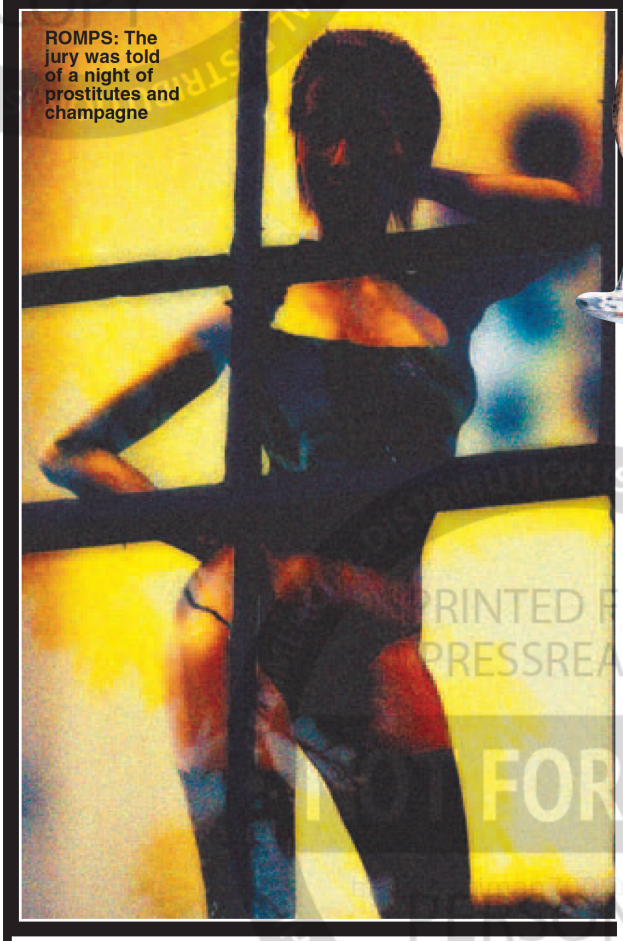
The car park closed for the season on Sunday. It will reopen next year ... with a ticket machine.

KEEP-FIT IS KO...

EXERCISING for 10 minutes twice a day can cure dyslexia, say two British professors after a study in Birmingham.

'ROBBERY GANG'S NIGHT OF BUBBLY GANJA & HOOKERS'

VICTIM: WPc Sharon



ROMPS: The jury was told of a night of prostitutes and champagne

WITNESS: An artist's impression of Francois Baron in court yesterday

A GANG of robbers swigged champagne, smoked pot and romped with hookers before blasting a policewoman to death, a jury heard yesterday.

Illegal immigrant Francois Bacon, a handyman at the house where the alleged gang stayed before and after the fatal raid, described the party to the court.

He said gang members were treated to champagne, vodka, food, and marijuana. Then some of them took a taxi to find prostitutes and spent more than two hours at a brothel, he claimed.

Bacon then said one of the men – Hassan Razzaq, 26 – treated the rest to sex romps, handing them £80 each on the way in. The next day, he told the court, he saw them set off to rob a travel agents in Bradford, West Yorks, armed with a pistol, submachine gun and knife.

Newcastle Crown Court has been told by the prosecution that WPc Beshenivsky, 38, was shot in the heart by the fleeing raiders and died.

Her colleague WPc Teresa Milburn, also 38, was shot in the chest, but survived.

■ by JERRY LAWTON

Seychelles-born Baron, 33, told the jury yesterday he saw the gang plotting the raid at an asylum seekers' house in Leeds. He claimed the gang drank champagne and vodka before going to the brothel.

Mr Baron said he was told "there would be champagne, food and some ganja".

He claimed he later went with five other men to the brothel, telling the court: "We were there for more than two hours."

Paid

Cross-examined by defence barrister Mukhtar Hussain QC, Mr Baron admitted being paid £70 a week by police since making his statement eight months ago.

Muzzaker Imtiaz Shah, 25, from London, has admitted murder. He denies the attempted murder of WPc Milburn.

Yusuf Abdillh Jama, 20, of Small Heath, Birmingham, Razza Ul-Haq Aslam, 25, of Kentish Town, north London, and Hassan Razzaq, 26, and his is brother Faisal, 25, both of Forest Gate, east London, all deny murder.

The trial continues.

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HALLOWEEN PARTY SPECIAL

PARIS GOES AT IT LIKE A BUNNY!

QUICKIE..

OUR dancing shoes are at the ready for a boogie with our pals at Radio 1 when they host the third annual Chart Show Live on Sunday November 12.

And we look forward to hob-nobbing with **Nelly Furtado**, 27, **All Saints** and **Beyoncé**, 25, to name a few of the acts confirmed for the event at Brighton's legendary Dome.

Tickets have sold out, but Radio 1 are giving you the chance to win passes at www.bbc.co.uk/radio1.

QUICKIE..

THE **Scissor Sisters** are getting into the spirit of things tonight for their gig at London's Brixton Academy.

The brill band, who will have **Sienna Miller**, 24, as their special guest in the crowd, have asked for a variety of Halloween goodies backstage.

Our mole said: "They include pumpkins, vampire teeth and fake spiders."

The gig is to raise awareness for the Global Cool campaign and can be seen on www.global-cool.com.

QUICKIE..

WE'RE looking forward to seeing our pals from Jackass 2 at the UK premiere tonight in London's Leicester Square.

And we're even more excited about new DVD National Lampoon's TV The Movie, which features Jackass cast members **Steve-O**, 32, and **Preston Lacey**, 37.

The boys will be signing copies at London's Virgin Megastores, Piccadilly.

QUICKIE..

PATRICK Swayze, 54, is said to be fascinated by rumours that London's Piccadilly theatre, where he is starring in Guys And Dolls, is haunted.

Our mole said: "Patrick is so intrigued by rumours there is a ghost, he and his fellow cast members are always joking about it."

Pictures: EPA/ BIGPICTURES

PARIS Hilton must have been hopping mad when she went wild on an 18-hour pre-Halloween bender in Hollywood.

And the 25-year-old heiress to the Hilton hotel chain could have given the Duracell bunny a run for its money.

The blonde bombshell hit the dancefloors at SEVEN different parties in her ridiculous raunchy rabbit costume .

Our Stateside spy said: "Paris rolled up to the Spider Club in her rabbit outfit and stayed there all of 20 minutes before moving on.

"She had no awareness of people staring at her silly outfit, she just kept moving from one place to the next. She was with a couple of girlfriends and by the time they got to Teddy's club at the Roosevelt Hotel, they were all seriously steamy on the dancefloor and fellas were watching their every move.

EXCLUSIVE

Giggling

"And at one point Paris started hopping around like a bunny and giggled loudly.

"It was ridiculous.

"At 3am she ventured off to two pals' parties at houses in the Hollywood Hills but must have been bored.

"At four in the morning she ventured to the Standard bar and then headed to the Beverly Hills Hotel at 6am before leaving and popping in at the Hyatt West.

"At eight Paris and a male friend headed to a nearby drive-through takeaway and ordered 21 burgers.

"And they couldn't stop giggling as they scoffed them in the car lot.

"By 9am Paris was finally on her way home and you'd have thought she was well ready for bed – most people were getting up at that time."

But surely not the party-loving lass we know so well?

Our mole added: "Paris ventured into her home for all of 20 minutes.

"She must have changed, showered and freshened up because she emerged looking as fresh as a daisy, all ready to go to a photoshoot."

Bah-hum.

Ange and Brad play at house

BRAD Pitt and **Angelina Jolie** enjoyed a four-day break in India and took time out for some romance when they visited the Taj Lake Palace Hotel in Udaipur.

Both Brad, 42, and Angelina, 31, left, looked happier than ever as they admired the views from their swanky five-star hotel.

But they soon swapped their plush penthouse for some serious slogging.

Brad was caught on camera, far left, helping in the building of a house south-east of Mumbai as part of a charity project.

And we hear that Angelina, 31 – who has a five-month-old daughter with Brad and her two adopted children – was busy making plans to build a new orphanage.

They're all heart.

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WHAT AN EARFUL: Paris in her potty outfit

Sugababes are in party Overdrive

OVERLOAD was certainly an apt title for **The Sugababes** when they promoted their new album at London's Dominion Theatre.

And after plugging Overloaded: The Singles Collection – which is out on November 13 – the girls then headed off to their after-party at the View Lounge.

Droves of celebrities turned up to support **Keisha Buchanan**, 22, pictured above centre, **Heidi Range**, 23, above left, and 22-year-old **Amelle Berrabah**.

I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here! star **Tara Palmer-Tomkinson**, 34, right, was all smiles as she danced the night away and afterwards signed autographs for fans.

Whilst former Love Island contestant and ex-**Boyzone** hunk **Shane Lynch**, 30, far right, seemed blown away as he left the theatre keeping a tight hold of his woman.

Bo' Selecta! comic and celebrity stalker **Avid Merrion**, 33, left, made everyone laugh but Amelle didn't seem to see the funny side when she was caught on camera holding herself in during the early hours, top right.

Never mind love, you still look lovely to us.

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HUSH HUSH

THIS soap scene regular is taking Thai "diet" pills to shed weight. But the actress – who is far from fat – is giving herself severe heart pains in the process and is suffering memory loss. If she paid more attention to learning her lines instead of being vain, she'd be better off. Especially considering producers have warned her twice…

Nic night out

NICOLE Richie is said to have passed out while partying at Hyde nightclub in Hollywood.

The 25-year-old daughter of singer **Lionel**, 57, collapsed two days after it was confirmed she was checking into a residential private facility to allow doctors to discover why she was having problems putting on weight.

Richie's spokesman said her client was at Hyde for approximately 20 minutes but denied she collapsed.

SPOTTED

IN London: Radio presenter **Richard Bacon** shouting into his mobile phone: "I'm not the new **Jeremy Beadle**" in Soho, Strictly Come Dancing star **Brendan Cole** mobbed by school-children while walking past a bus-stop in Islington, sexy **Girls Aloud** siren **Sarah Harding** in Hampstead leaving The Spaniards Inn.

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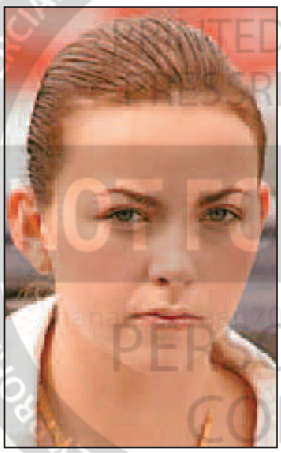

GIRLFRIEND: Charlotte Church

RUGBY star pin-up Gavin Henson has been banned for just a month after he was caught doing 110mph on a motorway.

■ by LAURA NEIL

Magistrates dished out the the minimum ban after hearing his charity work with children would suffer if he could not drive.

The spikey-haired boyfriend of singer Charlotte Church was followed by police who clocked his £38,000 Mercedes CLK350 at between 100 and 110mph.

Shame-faced Wales fly-half Henson told the officers: "I am very sorry. I am very disappointed in myself."

Yesterday his solicitor Jim Bennett told magistrates: "He will cope with any disqualification but it is the children who will miss out because of his charitable commitments."

Henson, 24, was also fined a week's wages of £1,850 and ordered to pay £35 costs.

Magistrates in Chippenham, Wilts, heard he was caught as he raced along the M4 towards London on September 6.

Mr Bennett handed a list of his charitable appointments to the magistrates.

He told them: "You may recognise Mr Henson as a rugby player for Ospreys and for Wales.

Busy

"He has a recognisable face and puts it to good use and this letter confirms it.

"The letter contains his charitable appointment diary."

Chairwoman of the bench Jeanette Hawker said they had taken into account his busy charity schedule and early guilty plea.

She added: "You are going to be disqualified for 28 days from today and you must not drive any motor vehicle.

"Please don't have the keys of a car in your pocket or sit in the driver's seat as that could be construed as breaking the order."

Henson, from Cardiff, asked if he could sit by his solicitor instead of in the dock.

But the chairwoman of the bench ordered him to stand in the dock where he spoke only to confirm his name and address.

The maximum punishment for speeding over 100mph is a year's disqualification.

Outside court Henson refused to say anything before he was driven home by his father Alan.

A member of Henson's family was involved in a disturbance where a photographer's phone was stamped on.

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TRAILED: Gavin Henson leaves court yesterday after being banned

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Wozza roasting for Ramsay

ANTONY Worrall Thompson has reignited his long-running feud with Gordon Ramsay.

The bearded celebrity chef has accused Ramsay of having "a screw loose".

And he branded the 39-year-old's recent performance on Have I Got News For You as "embarrassing".

Rival chefs Gary Rhodes and Delia Smith also got a panning from Wozza, 55.

He said: "Did anyone see Gordon Ramsay's performance on Have I Got News For You? He couldn't read and he didn't get the jokes. It was embarrassing.

"My daughter sent him an email saying she could help him if he needed help learning to read. He has got a screw loose." The former Ready Steady Cook star then had a go at Rhodes, 46, after labelling himself a "fat b****". He said Rhodes was a rubbish chef and obviously didn't eat his own food because he was far too thin.**

He called Delia, 65, a football hooligan and mocked her infamous half-time plea to Norwich City fans to increase the noise levels by slurring: "Let's Be Having You!"

Wozza's claims came as he was giving a cookery demonstration at the North West Food Lovers' Festival at Tatton Park, Cheshire.

KNIVES OUT: Antony

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ALL CHANGE: Kate

Jordan gets red carpet

■ by NIGEL PAULEY

SEXPOT Jordan will walk down the red carpet at the National TV Awards tonight after a change of heart by telly chiefs.

We told yesterday how stuffy organisers had decided to ban everyone except nominees from the spotlight including star guests like Jordan – alias Kate Price, 28 – and husband Peter Andre, 33.

The couple, who met on I'm A Celebrity in 2004, are handing over an award at the bash, being screened by ITV1 tomorrow night at 8pm.

Clips

But an NTA source said: "It wasn't meant as a snub towards Kate and Peter.

"However, at the last minute organisers decided it wasn't fair on fans to prevent them seeing the likes of Jordan on the red carpet."

Tory MP Boris Johnson, 42, will be wearing cycle clips when he arrives at London's Royal Albert Hall.

A source revealed: "Boris said if he couldn't walk his bike along the red carpet, he wouldn't come to the awards."

STAR BURST

SCIENTISTS at Newcastle University have grown a tiny artificial liver, which can be used to test drugs, by taking stem cells from umbilical cords.

Refs are blasted

PREMIERSHIP refs DO favour the home side in big games, experts revealed yesterday.

A study of 2,600 matches between 1996 and 2003 found match officials were guilty of hammering away teams – something fans, managers and players have been claiming for years.

Researchers at the University of Bath found refs were more likely to wave yellow and red cards against the away team. Statistics also showed they pick on the underdogs.

Dr Peter Dawson said: "Managers have been right to highlight inconsistencies and controversial decisions in games."

A SCARY FIGURE

BRITS will spend a record £150million on Halloween tonight, up £30m on 2005 and more than 12 times the £12m spent in 2001.

DEAR PASSENGERS: CAN ANYONE FIX THE TRAIN?

Rail commuters in fiasco

■ by JOHN MAHONEY

HUNDREDS of rail passengers were left speechless by a tannoy request: "Can anyone help fix this train?"

The voice urged travellers "carrying nuts, bolts and cable ties" to come forward to fix the windscreen wipers.

Four passengers volunteered and one man was seen crawling across the windscreen armed with a screwdriver and pliers.

Daft

When his repair bid failed, a diesel loco was called to tow the Virgin train for the remaining 100 miles of the journey. But the diesel's electrics weren't compatible with the 140mph "tilting" Pendolino and passengers had to get off and wait for the next service. The fiasco on the 4.35pm London Euston-Manchester Piccadilly took place as the train sat idly at Rugby station.

OFF TRACK: A Pendolino

Damian Gaskin, 37, of Didsbury, Manchester, said: "It was so daft.

"I've never heard of passengers being asked for tools to fix a train. I had one or two with me and went up to the front with three others.

"One man straddled the windscreen. He had one foot on the platform and the other on the glass."

A Virgin spokesman said: "The trouble was that there was no travelling fitter on this train.

"They asked for anyone who may be able to help make a temporary repair. The train manager admitted to the passengers this was an unusual request."

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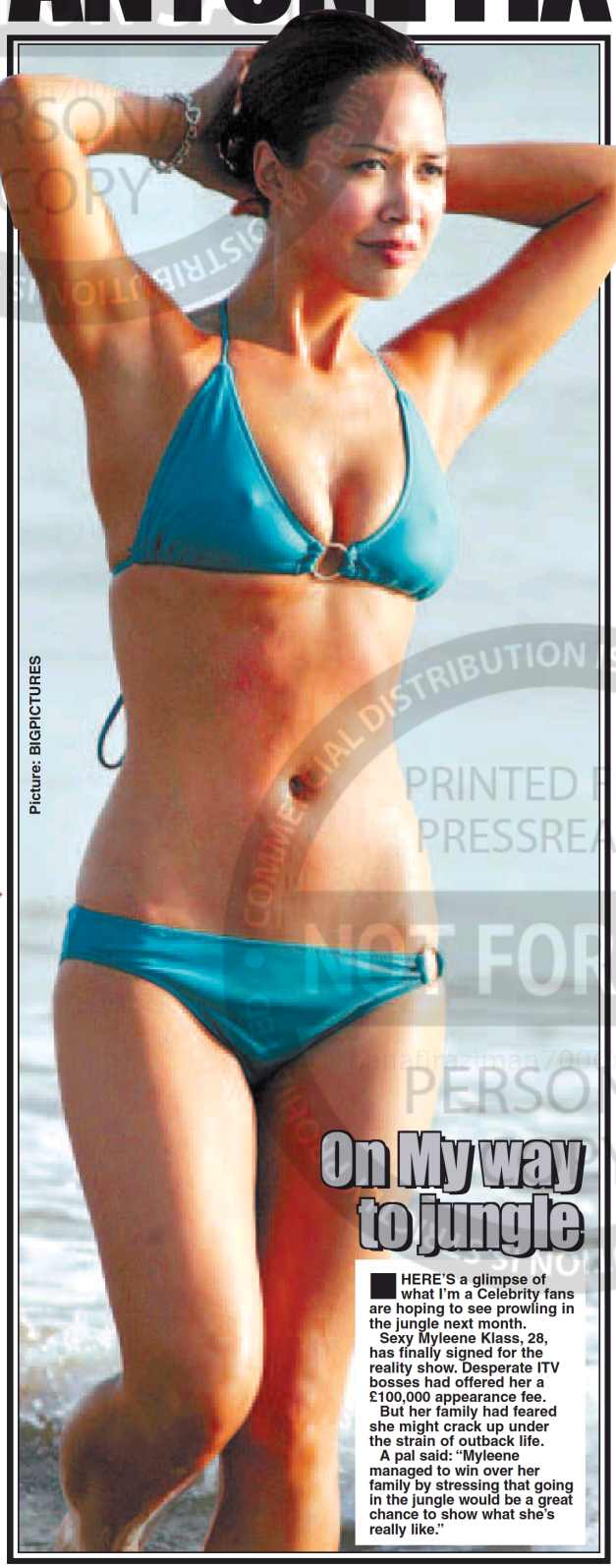

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On My way to jungle

HERE'S a glimpse of what I'm a Celebrity fans are hoping to see prowling in the jungle next month.

Sexy Myleene Klass, 28, has finally signed for the reality show. Desperate ITV bosses had offered her a £100,000 appearance fee.

But her family had feared she might crack up under the strain of outback life.

A pal said: "Myleene managed to win over her family by stressing that going in the jungle would be a great chance to show what she's really like."

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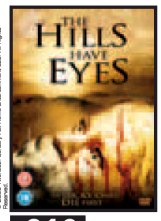

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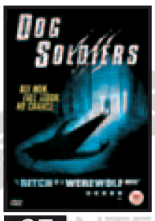

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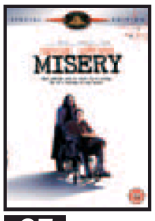

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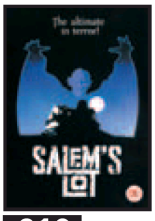

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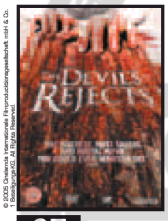

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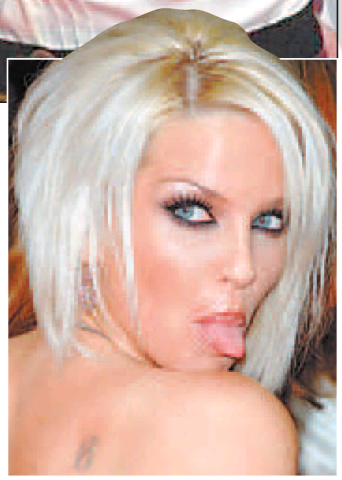
Q SPOT

TIM Rice-Oxley didn't mind **Keane** missing out on Best Album. Nominated for Under The Iron Sea the trio attended with frontman **Tom Chaplin**, 27, making his first showbiz appearance since rehab.

Tim, 30, said: "It's not about awards for us, it's just nice to see everyone."

Cheryl is the tops



CHERYL Cole looked radiant in a silk low-cut top and lit up the room with her trademark beaming smile.

But bandmate **Sarah Harding**, 25, right, poked her tongue out at snappers and couldn't wait to get stuck into the free alcohol.

Minutes after arriving the sexy **Girls Aloud** singer asked her management to sort her out, declaring: "Okay then, where's the booze?" Good lass.

Sugababes were also looking delightful. **Heidi**, 23, charmed all the ladies in the girls' toilets with friendly chitchat.

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JOE MOTT'S DOUBLE AWARD WINNING Hot

Q Awards 2006

AT THE Q AWARDS

Take that!

Double blast for manband

TAKE THAT were given a severe kicking at the 20th Q Awards yesterday.

Despite picking up the Q Idol award, the manband were attacked publicly by both the **Arctic Monkeys** and **Oasis**.

Collecting Best Album gong, Arctics' front man **Alex Turner**, 20, said: "Lots of people make jokes about awards being made up and maybe I'll be grateful of that in the future. I'm not old enough to remember a lot, but even I know that Take That were bo**ocks."

The vicious comment was greeted with howls of approval by the mass of rock stars in attendance.

Take That's misery didn't end there.

Picking up Best Act in the World Today, Oasis legend **Noel Gallagher**, 31, said: "Anyway, one of Take That just said to me, 'Is your kid **Liam** here?' I replied, 'You'd know if he was'.

Abuse

"There's no way he'd have let the likes of **a-ha** and Take That come up here without giving them some mindless abuse.

"Seriously, he's gone to the zoo – the monkeys are bringing their kids to look at him."

But **Manic Street Preacher** singer **Nicky Wire**, 37, said: "Give me Take That over Arctic Monkeys any day." And **Primal Scream's Mani**, 43, stopped off to shake hands with **Jason Orange**, 36.

Elsewhere, Hot's favourite rockers **Kasabian** had a bit of banter despite **Serge Pizzorno**, 24, being struck down with a virus.

Pal Noel Gallagher was happy to take the mickey, telling him: "Mate, you look like a ballerina in that frilly shirt."

It was a star-studded event with **U2** and **The Who** among the celebs there.

STILL SMILING: Take That line up for their award yesterday

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Best Video: *When You Were Young*, **The Killers**
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Q Groundbreaker: **Primal Scream**
Q Icon: **Jeff Lynne**
Q Idol: **Take That**
Q Outstanding Performance: **Faithless**
Classic Songwriter: **Noel Gallagher**
Q Innovation In Sound: **The Edge**
Lifetime Achievement: **Peter Gabriel**
Q Merit Award: **Manic Street Preachers**
Q Classic Song: *Karma Chameleon* **Culture Club**
Best Live: **Muse**
Best Album: *Whatever People Say I Am That's What I'm Not*, **Arctic Monkeys**
People's Choice Award: **Arctic Monkeys**
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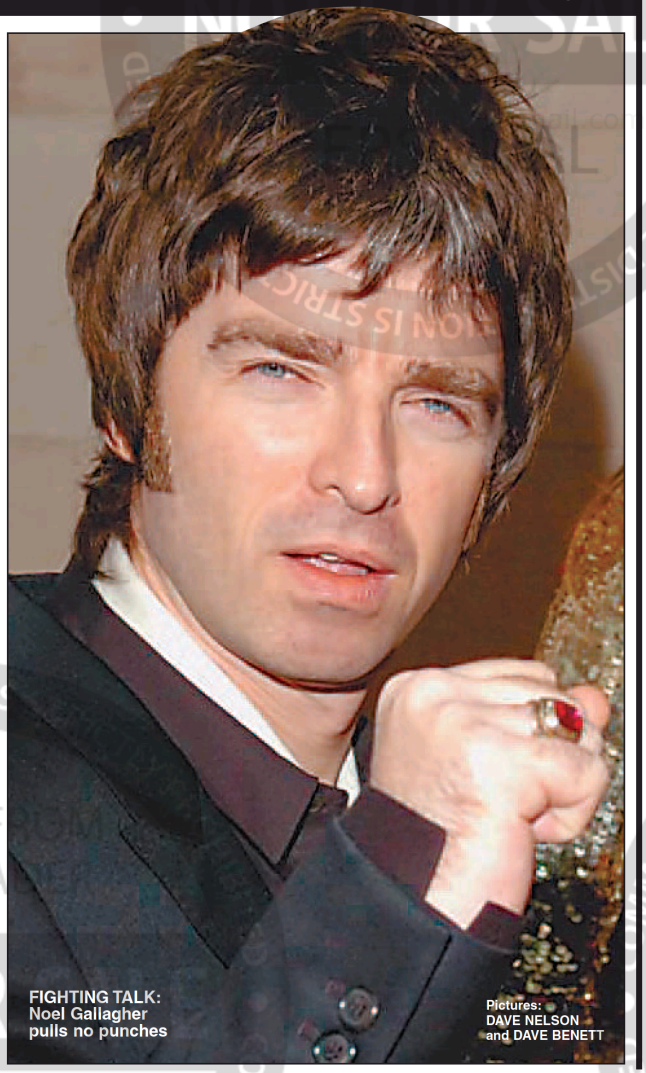

FIGHTING TALK: Noel Gallagher pulls no punches

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Russell's fine Wine

AMY Winehouse prepared for a battle with Russell Brand.

After the cheeky comic, 31, embraced her in a bear hug, the fragrant jazz singer, 23, told me: "Russell is great. I'm going to have a hair-off with him and I've blatantly got bigger hair so I'll win."

Q SPOT

RAZORLIGHT frontman **Johnny Borrell** agreed to present a Q award 10 minutes before the start.

Johnny, 26, had planned to skip the gig due to family troubles but a source said: "He said he'd do it if he could perform Motorcycle Emptiness before giving the **Manics** a Merit award. He was told 'no', but agreed to still do it just before curtain up."

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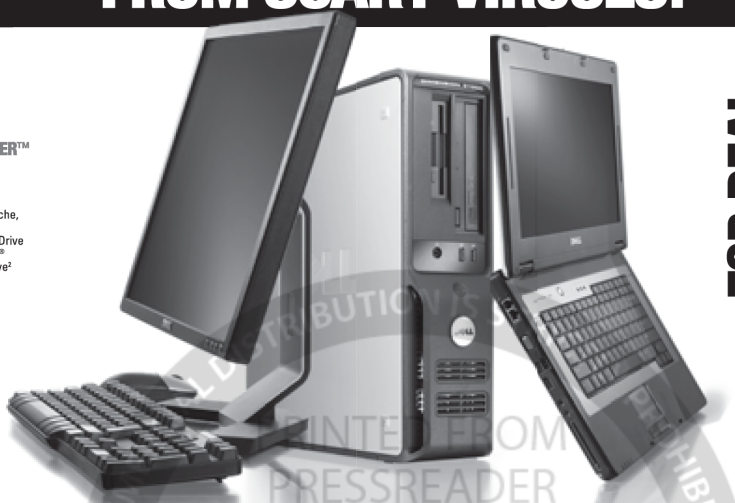

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Kinky Boots

SEX A-PEEL: Telly chiefs say the ad can't be screened before the watershed

Ad's too hot for TV chiefs

■ by CAMERON MILLAR

A STEAMY new advert for high street chain Boots has been branded too hot for prime-time telly.

So now the promo – which shows a string of scantily-clad girls preparing for Christmas – can only be shown after the watershed.

One scene sees a sultry model languishing in a bath as she peels a sprout, another has a sexy babe massaging a raw turkey as she stuffs it.

The ad, entitled Tis The Season To Be Gorgeous, will hit our screens tomorrow night.

It's the work of David LaChappelle, the man behind promos for hit US show Desperate Housewives.

David, 43, also shot the Dirrty video for singer Christina Aguilera, 25, which drew a chorus of complaints from parents after their girls copied its sexy dance routines.

Boots may pride itself on being a family-friendly firm, but it's confirmed that the ad is just too sexy to be shown before the 9pm watershed.

A spokesman said: "Women spend all Christmas worrying about everyone else, making sure everyone is happy. We want to remind them to put aside a few precious hours for themselves."

He added that research showed 72% of women found Christmas stressful, compared with just 1% of men.

● *The ad makes its debut on ITV1 at around 9.30pm tomorrow.*

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SPROUT OF ORDER: A sexy model relaxes as she prepares dinner

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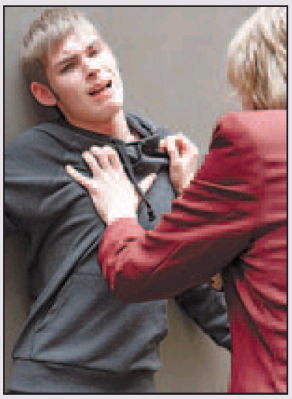

HOLLYOAKS

TEARAWAY Ste Hay is decked by his schoolmates after the doomed joyride that left Amy Barnes facing death.

The teenager (Kieron Richardson, 17) does a runner after crashing a stolen car and leaving pregnant Amy (Ashley Slanina Davies, 16) fighting for her life in hospital.

When he finally comes out of hiding he gets into a brawl with some of her pals who are furious he didn't stop to help. Before he can escape he's arrested by policeman Calvin Valentine (Ricky Whittle, 34).

An insider said: "Ste was drunk when he crashed, so he legged it to try and stay out of trouble. Even though it was Amy who egged him on into taking the car and driving at dangerous speeds, it looks like he'll pay for his stupidity."

And as Amy fights for survival her parents are shocked to find that she's expecting a baby.

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Pat not a True daddy

LAYABOUT Patrick Trueman lies to Denise Fox after discovering he's not her real father.

The lazy pensioner is left shell-shocked but keeps quiet after falling in love with her kids.

Patrick (Rudolph Walker, 66) only recently found out he could not have fathered Denise (Diane Parish, 37) after a fling.

And he is desperate to see the grandchildren grow after giving wife

EastEnders

Yolande the boot for having an affair.

So when his paternity results come through, he's devastated.

An insider said: "Patrick is so sure he's Denise's dad that he refuses to believe the results."

Yolande (Angela Wynter, 59) kissed his pal Aubrey (Joseph Marcell, 58) at a boozy party but didn't sleep with him.

Yet she was so drunk she can't remember what happened and Aubrey blackmails her.

But after a few nights apart and the shock paternity test results, Patrick realises he needs all his family – and by the end of the week the Trueman household are reunited.

A tug of love for old Tom

EMMERDALE

MILLIONAIRE pensioner Tom King is caught up in a love triangle with feisty Rosemary Sinclair and battleaxe Edna Birch.

Tom (Ken Farrington, 70) and Rosemary (Linda Thorson, 59) plan to wed at Christmas.

But an insider said: "Rosemary sees Edna as a threat. There may be nothing between her and Tom, but they have a close friendship that Rosemary can't stand.

"And when Tom supports Edna in a row, the jealousy comes out in Rosemary. She makes it clear who's the lady of the house."

Edna (Shirley Stelfox, 64) later invites Rosemary to lunch to smooth things over and she's shocked when the OAP says she'll be living at Home Farm for a long time.

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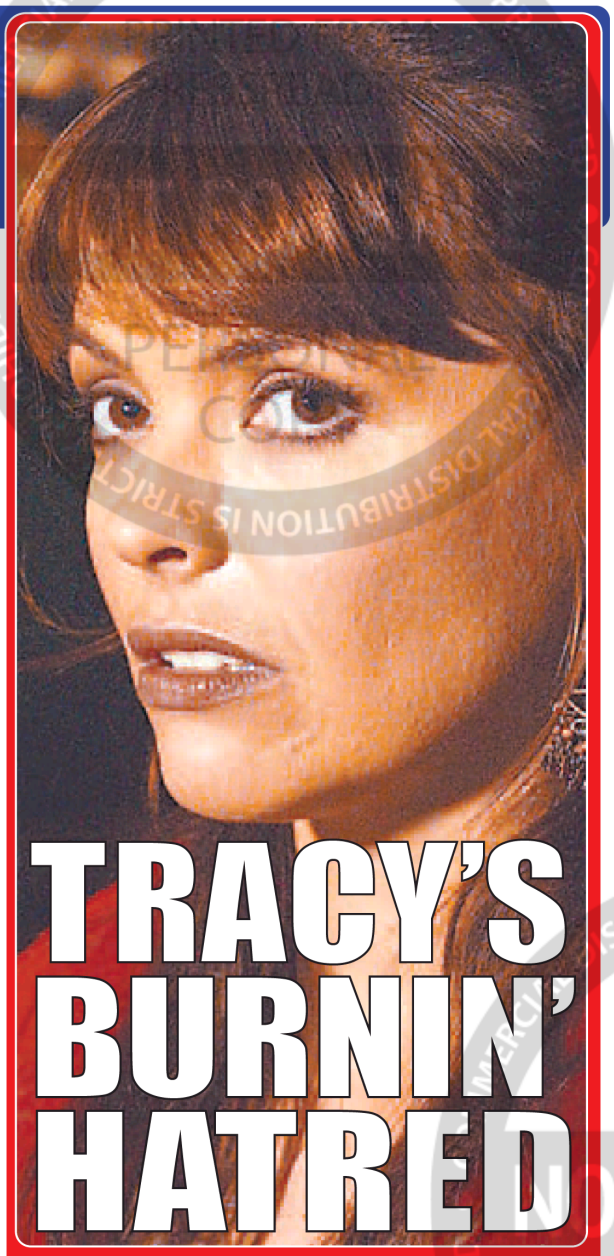

TRACY'S BURNIN' HATRED

■ by JOHN MAHONEY

TRACY Barlow resorts to self-mutilation as she begins her wicked plot to bump off evil builder Charlie Stubbs.

The Corrie schemer will scar herself by burning her arm with a red-hot iron.

Tracy, above, plots her deadly revenge after spotting Charlie (Bill Ward, 39) arriving home with a mystery blonde just days after he booted her out.

She sees it as yet another humiliation and the countdown to the killing begins.

Tracy makes sure she's on the phone to neighbour Claire Peacock at the time, and Claire is already convinced Tracy is being mentally and physically bullied by her brutal boyfriend.

As Tracy's face contorts with agony at the self-inflicted burning, unsuspecting Claire hears her scream down the

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line: "No Charlie – don't hurt me any more. No Charlie, not that."

Claire races round and is shocked to find Tracy (Kate Ford, 29) insisting that the burn was caused by an ironing accident.

But she goes to hospital where Claire (Julia Howarth, 26) tells the doctor she believes the burn was caused by her pal's partner.

The medic includes her comments in his notes – and sly Tracy grins as she realises the first stage of her murder plan been perfectly executed.

An insider said: "Tracy believes she will soon have enough witnesses to kill Charlie and claim she was acting in self defence – and literally get away with murder."

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BB PETE'S WEB-CAM SEX SESSIONS

BIG Brother champ Pete Bennett is keeping his long-distance affair with Gemma Costain alive with saucy cyber-sex.

Pete dumped BB housemate Nikki Grahame for Gemma – but is having to make do with web-cam nookie while she's in Japan.

Punky student Gemma, 22, has revealed how she and Pete watch each other stripping off over the internet and enjoy some passionate fantasies.

And naughty Gemma let slip that Tourette's sufferer Pete, 24, loves nothing more than whipping out his famous big willy for her – to show her how excited he gets.

■ by PETER DYKE

She said: "He doesn't think twice about it.

"I'm stuck in my hotel room in Tokyo and he's in London – what else can we do?

"They call Japan the Land of the Rising Sun.

"But in my hotel it was more like the Land of the Rising Pete."

Flame-haired Gemma says she misses Pete so much she may cut short her travelling holiday with pal Michelle Murphy, 24.

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She added: "I want to be with him in the flesh and not just by being in front of a web-cam."

Meanwhile, Pete says he is having to cope with a fans' backlash after ditching whinging Nikki, 24.

And he also admitted that he was very sexually liberated – and liked both men and women.

He laughed: "I am a little bit gay."

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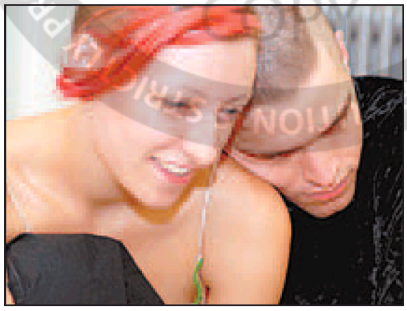

NET FANTASIES: Pete impresses Gemma

Saucy nurse Nic's a tonic

■ NAUGHTY Nicollette Sheridan gives Desperate Housewives fans a peek of things to come.

The 42-year-old is set to strip off in the sauciest show of the series so far.

The red-hot episode sees her shed a nurse's uniform to seduce coma victim Mike.

■ Later, Eva Longoria, 31, slips into stockings and suspenders to win back on-screen husband Carlos. But she loses her cool, pushing him out of a bedroom window.

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